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EXPORT TRADE BY COUNTRY

The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today that the decrease in United States exports of domestic and foreign merchandise, including Special Category commodities, from \$1,468.6 million in July¹ to \$1,396.7 million in August, resulted from decreases in exports to the following areas: Canada, from \$329.7 to \$303.5 million; Latin American Republics, from \$307.8 to \$285.0 million; and Western Europe, from \$437.8 to \$424.8 million. Exports to dependencies of Western Europe increased slightly from \$53.1 to \$55.2 million. Exports to "all other countries" dropped from \$340.3 to \$328.2 million. Exports of Special Category commodities fell from \$155.4 million in July to \$140.2 million in August.

With Special Category commodities excluded, the August export total was \$1,256.5 million as compared to the July total of \$1,313.3 million. This decline was partly accounted for by decreases in exports to Latin American Republics, from \$301.2 to

\$279.2 million, and O.E.E.C. countries, from \$333.6 to \$326.2 million. However, exports to sterling area countries increased from \$185.1 to \$190.2 million.

Exports to North America fell from \$473.9 million in July to \$435.6 million in August primarily as a result of decreases in exports of Canada, from \$320.9 to \$297.6 million, and Mexico, from \$65.4 to \$57.4 million. Lower levels of exports to Japan from \$80.5 to \$70.1 million; India, from \$26.9 to \$23.0 million; and Israel, from \$10.9 to \$7.7 million accounted for most of the decline in exports of Asia from \$224.0 to \$205.3 million. Exports to South America fell from \$168.1 to \$160.7 million as decreases in exports to Venezuela, from \$65.7 to \$54.4 million and Peru, from \$11.1 to \$7.4 million were partly offset by small increases in exports to Argentina, from \$22.9 to \$26.2 million, and Brazil, from \$27.4 to \$30.8 million. During the period, there was a slight decline in exports to Europe from \$372.4 to \$366.9 million. This change reflected decreases in exports to Turkey, from \$23.5 to \$16.3 million, Italy, from \$36.0 to \$30.3 million, and Spain, from \$17.1 to \$12.6 million, which were partly offset by advances in exports to Switzerland, from \$13.0 to \$20.7 million, and Yugoslavia, from \$5.8 to \$9.1 million.

Meanwhile, a sizable increase in exports to Australia, from \$21.3 to \$30.3 million accounted for the bulk of the gain reported in exports to Australia and Oceania from \$25.2 to \$35.4 million. Exports to Africa climbed from \$49.6 to \$52.6 million partly as a result of an increase in exports to the United Arab Republic (Egypt Region), from \$6.1 to \$9.9 million.

EXPLANATION OF STATISTICS

COVERAGE: Export Statistics include government as well as non-government shipments to foreign countries. The export statistics, therefore, include Mutual Security Program military aid, Mutual Security Program economic aid, and Department of the Army Civilian Supply shipments. Separate figures for Mutual Security Program military aid are shown in the footnotes of this report. Shipments to United States armed forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are excluded from export statistics. United States trade with Puerto Rico, Hawaii, and United States Possessions is not included in this report, but the export trade of Puerto Rico and Hawaii with foreign countries is included as part of the United States export trade. Merchandise shipped in transit through the United States between foreign countries is not included in exports.

COUNTRY DEFINITION: Although the country of destination is defined as the country of ultimate destination or the country where the goods are to be consumed, or further processed or manufactured, the statistics do not always reflect this definition, as the shipper may not know the ultimate destination of the shipment. In such cases, the shipments are credited to the last country, as known to the exporter at the time of shipment from the United States, to which the goods are to be shipped in their present form. It follows, therefore, that the statistics will tend to be overcounted for shipments to transshipment or merchandising countries and undercounted for other countries. As explained in the footnotes to the table, exports of Special Category commodities are not included in any of the published country totals, for reasons of security.

VALUATION: The valuation definition used in the export statistics is the value at the seaport, border point, or airport of exportation. It is based on the selling price (or cost if not sold) and includes inland freight, insurance, and other charges to the port of exportation. Transportation and other costs beyond the United States port of exportation are excluded. However, in some instances the valuation may not be reported in accordance with this definition, particularly where the export value is difficult to determine or must be estimated. None of the values have been adjusted for changes in price level.

EFFECT OF SAMPLING: The value of export shipments individually valued from \$100 to \$499 (about five percent of total export value) is estimated by sampling. The estimated values are distributed among the area, continent and country totals shown in the table. The probable variability in the export figures due to sampling is less than two percent of the individual totals shown, or less than \$50,000. The largest variation from rounding of figures is \$50,000. For further information regarding the sampling procedures, see the September 1953, February 1954, and January and June 1956 issues of Foreign Trade Statistics Notes.

Further information regarding coverage, country definition, valuation, etc., is contained in the "General Explanation" in foreword of Report No. FT 410. For complete statement, see foreword in Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States.

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UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MERCHANDISE, BY COUNTRY OF DESTINATION:
AUGUST 1959 AND SELECTED PERIODS

(Value in millions of dollars. N.e.c. indicates not elsewhere classified. Figures for 1959 are as originally issued and have not been revised to include published corrections. Figures for 1958 include revisions published with the December 1958 reports, or earlier, but do not include revisions published during 1959. See "Explanation of Statistics" for information on sampling procedures and effect thereof on the data shown.)

Continent and country ¹	August 1959	July 1959	August 1958	Monthly average 1958
Total trade including Special Categories ²	³ 1,396.7	⁴ , ⁵ 1,468.6	⁶ 1,396.4	⁷ 1,488.2
Western Europe.....	424.8	437.8	407.6	453.3
Dependencies of Western Europe.....	55.2	53.1	44.5	48.9
Canada.....	303.5	329.7	273.8	294.6
Latin American Republics.....	285.0	307.8	345.8	348.7
All other countries.....	328.2	340.3	324.6	342.7
Total Special Categories ²	140.2	155.4	150.1	172.4
Type 1.....	41.8	54.1	33.5	42.2
Type 2.....	98.4	101.4	116.5	130.2
Net total excluding Special Categories ²	1,256.5	1,313.3	1,246.4	1,315.7
O.E.E.C. countries.....	326.2	333.6	310.6	341.6
Latin American Republics.....	279.2	301.2	337.2	337.4
Sterling area countries.....	190.2	185.1	161.2	186.3
North America.....	435.6	473.9	429.2	458.3
Greenland ^d	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Canada (including Newfoundland and Labrador).....	297.6	320.9	265.8	284.8
Miquelon and St. Pierre Islands ^d	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Mexico ^c	57.4	65.4	68.7	73.8
Guatemala ^a	4.5	4.7	6.7	6.6
British Honduras ^{b, d}	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
El Salvador ^a	2.9	2.9	3.8	3.7
Honduras ^a	2.2	3.1	3.5	3.0
Nicaragua ^a	2.5	2.7	3.5	3.1
Costa Rica ^a	3.1	3.1	3.5	3.5
Republic of Panama ^a	6.7	7.2	5.7	7.0
Canal Zone.....	1.5	1.0	1.2	1.5
Bermuda ^{b, d}	2.1	2.3	2.1	2.0
Bahamas ^{b, d}	2.9	2.8	2.1	2.7
Cuba ^a	36.6	39.6	42.2	45.5
Jamaica ^{b, d}	2.7	3.2	2.2	2.7
Haiti ^a	1.8	2.1	2.6	2.1
Dominican Republic ^a	3.6	4.9	5.4	6.3
Leeward and Windward Islands ^{b, d}	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
Barbados ^{b, d}	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.3
Trinidad and Tobago ^{b, d}	2.3	2.3	2.9	2.5
Netherlands Antilles ^d	3.9	4.5	5.8	6.2
French West Indies ^d	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2
South America.....	160.7	168.1	192.8	184.4
Colombia ^a	18.0	18.4	16.2	15.4
Venezuela ^a	54.4	65.7	60.0	67.4
British Guiana ^{b, d}	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.7
Surinam ^d	2.0	1.4	0.6	0.8
French Guiana ^d	0.1	0.3	0.1	(*)
Ecuador ^a	3.3	4.5	4.2	3.9
Peru ^a	7.4	11.1	14.9	13.9
Bolivia ^a	2.9	1.8	2.3	2.4
Chile ^a	9.5	11.4	15.3	12.4
Brazil ^a	30.8	27.4	49.5	44.1
Paraguay ^a	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.8
Uruguay ^a	4.9	1.9	2.1	1.8
Argentina ^a	26.2	22.9	26.5	20.7
Falkland Islands ^{b, d}.....	...	...	(*)	(*)
Europe.....	366.9	372.4	359.4	381.7
Iceland ^{b, c, e}	1.1	0.7	1.2	0.9
Sweden ^{c, e}	16.9	15.6	14.5	16.3
Norway ^{c, e}	7.1	5.5	5.1	5.8

See footnotes at end of table.

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AUGUST 1959 AND SELECTED PERIODS—Continued

Continent and country	August 1959	July 1959	August 1958	Monthly average 1958
Europe—Continued				
Denmark ^{c,e}	5.9	6.1	3.6	6.5
United Kingdom ^{b,c,e}	62.5	60.2	58.3	69.8
Ireland (Eire) ^{b,c,e}	1.9	2.4	2.4	2.6
Netherlands ^{c,e}	43.0	45.1	34.3	36.8
Belgium and Luxembourg ^{c,e}	23.8	24.2	25.1	27.5
France ^{g,c,e}	21.7	23.5	31.6	35.6
West Germany ^{g,c,e}	62.0	61.3	61.1	61.1
East Germany.....	...	(*)	(*)	(*)
Austria ^{c,e}	7.8	7.6	5.8	4.8
Czechoslovakia.....	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1
Hungary.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1
Switzerland ^{c,e}	20.7	13.0	13.9	13.6
Finland ^c	2.7	2.9	2.1	2.8
Estonia.....	...	...	...	(*)
Latvia.....	...	...	...	...
Lithuania.....	...	...	...	...
Poland and Danzig.....	14.6	11.5	20.4	8.7
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.....	0.1	0.6	(*)	0.3
Azores ^d	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Spain ^c	12.6	17.1	11.8	17.9
Portugal ^{c,e}	2.0	2.6	1.4	2.6
Gibraltar ^{b,d}	(*)	0.1	(*)	0.1
Malta, Gozo, and Cyprus ^{b,d}	0.7	0.1	0.1	0.2
Italy ^{c,e}	30.3	36.0	35.0	40.6
Free Territory of Trieste ^{c,e}	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.4
Yugoslavia ^c	9.1	5.8	12.6	9.6
Albania.....	...	...	...	...
Greece ^{c,e}	3.0	5.7	10.1	6.0
Rumania.....	0.4	0.3	...	0.1
Bulgaria.....	...	(*)	...	(*)
Turkey ^{c,e}	16.3	23.5	8.6	10.6
Unidentified Countries in Western Europe ^{g,c}.....	...	(*)	...	0.1
Asia.....	205.3	224.0	202.4	219.8
United Arab Republic (Syria Region) ¹⁰	1.0	0.7	0.8	1.3
Lebanon.....	4.2	2.6	2.9	3.0
Iraq (Mesopotamia) ^b	2.0	1.6	2.1	2.7
Iran (Persia).....	7.3	7.8	6.6	8.8
Israel.....	7.7	10.9	9.3	8.7
Palestine.....	...	(*)	...	(*)
Jordan ^b	2.3	1.9	0.6	0.8
Kuwait ^{b,d}	2.5	3.4	2.4	3.5
Saudi Arabia.....	2.8	2.9	4.7	4.9
Arabia Peninsula States, n.e.c.....	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.6
Aden ^{b,d}	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
State of Bahrain ^{b,d}	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.5
Afghanistan.....	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.9
India ^b	23.0	26.9	27.6	26.0
Pakistan ^b	6.1	8.4	4.7	9.3
Nepal.....	(*)	(*)	...	(*)
Ceylon ^b	3.5	1.3	0.8	1.8
Burma ^b	0.8	0.8	0.3	0.6
Thailand (Siam).....	4.0	4.2	4.1	4.4
Viet-Nam.....	4.4	4.0	3.5	5.2
Laos.....	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.2
Cambodia.....	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.6
Federation of Malaya ^b	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.6
Colony of Singapore; British Borneo ^{11,b,d}	2.2	2.8	1.7	2.3
Republic of Indonesia.....	8.1	7.5	4.0	5.1
Republic of the Philippines.....	22.4	22.9	24.0	24.3
Macao (Macau) ^d	0.1	(*)	(*)	(*)
Portuguese Asia, n.e.c. ^d	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1
Southern and Southeastern Asia, n.e.c.....	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1
China (including Manchuria).....	(*)

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Continent and country	August 1959	July 1959	August 1958	Monthly average 1958
Asia—Continued				
Outer Mongolia.....	...	...	...	...
North Korea.....	...	...	...	...
Republic of Korea.....	11.7	11.1	19.9	18.0
Hong Kong ^{b,d}	6.9	9.6	5.3	6.0
Taiwan (Formosa).....	7.6	7.7	8.3	8.5
Japan.....	70.1	80.5	64.1	69.5
Nansei and Nanpo Islands, n.e.c.....	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.3
Australia and Oceania.....	35.4	25.2	16.0	20.3
Australia ^b	30.3	21.3	12.7	15.8
New Guinea ^b	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1
New Zealand ^b	4.1	3.5	2.6	3.6
British Western Pacific Islands ^{b,d}	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
French Pacific Islands ^d	0.7	0.1	0.3	0.4
Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.....	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2
Africa.....	52.6	49.6	46.6	51.3
Morocco.....	2.9	3.3	2.8	3.5
Algeria ^d	1.9	2.1	2.5	2.3
Tunisia ^d	0.7	0.4	1.0	0.6
Libya ^b	2.7	3.1	2.7	1.7
United Arab Republic (Egypt Region) ¹²	9.9	6.1	4.3	4.3
Sudan.....	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2
Canary Islands ^d	0.2	0.7	0.1	0.2
Spanish Africa, n.e.c. ^d	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1
Cameroon ^d	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.4
French Equatorial Africa ^d	0.9	1.3	0.7	0.6
French West Africa and Republic of Togo ^{13,d}	1.6	2.0	0.9	1.3
Ghana ^b	0.9	1.2	0.8	0.9
Nigeria ^{b,d}	1.5	1.9	2.4	1.9
British West Africa, n.e.c. ^{b,d}	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Madeira Islands ^d	0.3	(*)	(*)	(*)
Angola ^d	0.8	0.7	1.2	1.0
Western Portuguese Africa, n.e.c. ^d	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1
Liberia.....	1.7	2.0	1.8	4.5
Belgian Congo ^d	2.7	2.2	3.0	3.3
Somaliland.....	(*)	(*)	0.1	0.1
Ethiopia (Abyssinia).....	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.9
French Somaliland ^d	0.1	(*)	(*)	0.1
British Somaliland ^{b,d}	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1
Seychelles and Dependencies ^{b,d}	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Mauritius and Dependencies ^{b,d}	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
British East Africa ^{b,d}	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6
Mozambique ^d	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.8
Madagascar ^d	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
Union of South Africa ^b	20.0	18.3	19.1	20.7
Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland ^b	0.8	0.7	0.6	1.0

^aLatin American Republics. ^bSterling area countries. ^cWestern Europe. ^dDependencies of Western Europe. ^eO.E.E.C. (Organization for European Economic Cooperation) countries. *Indicates less than \$50,000. ¹For definitions of countries as used in this report, refer to current edition of Schedule C, Classification of Country Designations Used in Compiling the United States Foreign Trade Statistics. ²Country detail is not reported in the export statistics for Special Category commodities beginning July 1950 for security reasons. For certain areas, export totals include Special Categories, as shown at the beginning of the table. Export figures for other areas and countries represent total exports less exports of Special Category commodities. See the April 1958 issue of Foreign Trade Statistics Notes for further explanation and list of Special Category commodities. ³Includes \$97.1 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$54.0 million to Western Europe). ⁴See footnote one on front page of this report. ⁵Includes \$114.6 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$56.7 million to Western Europe). ⁶Includes \$113.2 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$45.1 million to Western Europe). ⁷Includes \$128.6 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$58.6 million to Western Europe). ⁸The Saar included with West Germany beginning July 1958. For prior periods, the Saar is included with France. ⁹As explained in the April 1958 issue of Foreign Trade Statistics Notes, this is an arbitrary category established with April 1958 statistics to cover certain shipments to unidentified countries in Western Europe. ¹⁰United Arab Republic (Syria Region) beginning July 1958; formerly Syria. ¹¹Colony of Singapore; British Borneo beginning July 1958. Shown as Colony of Singapore during first half of 1958. ¹²United Arab Republic (Egypt Region) beginning July 1958; formerly Egypt. ¹³French West Africa and Republic of Togo beginning July 1958; formerly French West Africa.